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On the 24th February, at 1, Makalee Terrace,
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VIEUX ROAD CL.
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HONGKONG, 3rd March, 1903.

The Sultan's acceptance of a scheme of reform drafted by Austria and Russia for the amelioration of the condition of the Christians in Macedonia, reported by REUTER about ten days ago, has apparently checked the insurrectionary movement, and obviated a war. Not many days before the scheme was presented for the Porte's acceptance two divisions of the Bulgarian army had been mobilised at Sofia and Philippopolis. There were at the same time 200,000 Turkish troops along the Bulgarian frontier, and a Russian army, it was reported, had been conveyed secretly to the Balkans. The rising in Macedonia was threatened for April 1st. "Force is the harbinger and the complement of diplomacy," declared the President of the Macedonia Reform Committee after he had travelled through Europe for the purpose of feeling the pulse of the nations, and no time or opportunity seems to have since been lost in preparing for the struggle. Bulgaria has supplied the movement with its most powerful impetus: the majority of the people of Macedonia are taken to be Bulgarians, and in the Bulgarian army thirty per cent. of the men are Macedonians, and the same proportion, it is said, serve as civil servants in the various branches of the Bulgarian administration. "Blood being thicker than Chancery ink," as one writer has put it, duty to one's brother evidently prevailed over stipulations of treaties, conventions and agreements. Count LASMOVSKI, the Russian Foreign Minister, foresaw what was likely to happen and it was evidently partly to

warn Bulgaria and Servia against too recklessly encouraging an appeal to force that he early in the year paid a visit to Sophia and Belgrade, and it was either to prepare for the neglect of that warning or else to obviate the necessity of an appeal to force that he continued his journey to Vienna. From what has transpired since, it is obvious that though the aims of Russia and Austria in Turkey are not identical, they are both anxious to avoid serious trouble in that quarter. The result has been that a scheme of reform for Macedonia has been jointly drawn up by Austria and Russia which has been accepted by the Sultan. Besides proposing various reforms in the judicial and taxation systems, the scheme calls for the appointment of an "Inspector-General" approved by the Foreign Powers. He is to hold, REUTER informs us, large independent authority. The gendarmerie is to be officered by Europeans, and Christians are to be admitted. Having regard to the state of feeling in military circles in Turkey, these are astonishing concessions. Only a little while ago a contract was signed by the Turkish Military Preparation Committee for the supply of 200,000 Mauser rifles from Germany, with the clear intention of not yielding up to Christianity a province one-half of which is Mahomedan. Whether the new compact will be honestly carried out remains to be seen, but the silence of the telegraphic despatches from London on the Macedonian Question can only be taken to indicate that the aspect of affairs in the Balkans is decidedly more pacific.

The French and English mails of the 26th and 31st January respectively were delivered in London on the 28th ult.

Chevalier Z. Volpicelli, the Italian Consul-General has been decorated by the King of Italy with the order of S. Maurizio e Lazar, a much coveted distinction.

The visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 1st March, were 362 non-Chinese and 91 Chinese to the former, and 113 non-Chinese and 4,344 Chinese to the latter institution.

This afternoon on the Happy Valley in the semi-final for the Football Shield, H.M.S. Aragon will play "B" Company, S.F. Kick-off at four o'clock. The Shield Committee will meet on the ground after the match.

Reporting the arrival of Mr. J. E. Squire, the new General Manager in Singapore of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., the *Straits Times* mentions that some twenty-nine years ago Mr. Squire filled the post of superintendent at Hongkong and for the past twenty years has occupied a similar position in Sydney.

The following well-known wagers belonging to Mr. Godfrey Master will be sold by public auction at Causeway Bay Stables on Wednesday, 17th inst., at 5.30 p.m.—Ichiban, Ruman, Mayfly, Schoolgirl and Tired Tom. On the same occasion Mr. Arthur Turner's Motoso will be offered to sale. Mr. Gao P. Lamont will be the auctioneer.

Puris telegrams to the *Echo de Chine* say that M. Deloës, Minister of Foreign Affairs, has informed the Foreign Affairs Committee that the Government refused to communicate the documents demanded by the Committee. At the annual dinner of the Committee of French Asia, to which were invited the Ministers of Japan, China, Corea, and Siam, and at which Messrs. Deloës, Henrique, and Kloboukowsky were present, the chairman, M. Etienne, declared that France is very strong because she has no idea of making conquests; that she wishes to live in peace with the Asiatic populations; that she demands nothing more than respect for her rights and her territorial and commercial interests; in a word, that France will use her efforts to bring to the Far East her ideas of science, generosity, and industry.

H.M.S. Rosario, which is under orders to proceed to Hongkong on the 6th March, there to pay off her crew, the *N.C. Daily News* remarks, was commissioned on the 20th March, 1900. She is the sister-ship to the ill-fated Condor, which was lost in the Pacific last year. While leaving the harbour of Colombo on her way out to the Far East, the crew of the Rosario were told the news of the relief of Mafeking by the skipper of an American army transport, who was passing the vessel in a boat at the time. Upon arrival at Hongkong the Rosario was sent with all speed to Shanghai, where trouble was expected owing to the insurrection in the North. There were very few foreign men in harbour then, and the arrival of every additional ship was a welcome event to the residents of Shanghai. Later on the Rosario was sent to Chinkiang to look after the junks in the Grand Canal, and though never in actual warfare, the vessel was fired at several times. For their work in this direction the officers and men were presented with the China medal, it will be remembered, on last China New Year's day. Many people will be interested to hear that the paying-off pennant which was flying from the main is 100 yards long, and that the glittering object at the end was a pig's bladder covered with gold leaf. The wind was not strong enough to allow the whole of the pennant to fly, and probably this visible sign of rejoicing at being ordered home will not be seen in all its fulness until it is flying from the funnel of the engine of the train which will take the men from Portsmouth to London.

A speech of interest to those engaged in the tea industry was delivered by Sir Montagu Turner in introducing a Bill at a recent meeting of the Supreme Council of India, to provide for the levy of customs duty on Indian tea exported from British India. He referred to the fact that a memorial had been signed by a number of tea-garden proprietors representing an acreage of tea of 416,000 acres, which comprised nearly the whole of the tea under cultivation in British India, and said the object of the tax was to provide funds for pushing the sale of Indian tea in foreign markets. He mentioned that a voluntary tea cess had been tried but found wanting, as only spasmodic efforts could be made owing to the uncertainty of subscriptions. Ceylon was instructed to show how successfully a Government levied tax could be applied for the benefit of the tea industry. In 1893 a cess of 10 cents per 100 lbs. was levied to provide funds for exhibiting Ceylon tea at the Chicago Exhibition. This was so successful that next year the tax was raised to 20 cents, at the request of the planters. The system is still in force, the tax being now 30 cents on every 100 lbs. exported. He quoted figures to show how well the system had worked in Ceylon. Altogether 18 lakhs had been expended in Ceylon on exploiting foreign markets since the idea was first introduced. It was proposed to tax exported India tea 3½ per lb. and to hand over the proceeds to a representative committee for expenditure.

The claim on China of 11,613 yen for the murder of the Japanese Legation Chancellor, Mr. Sugiyama, has been paid to the bereaved family.

In view of the recent reduction of freight rates on cotton from Bombay to Japan by foreign steamship companies, the Japanese merchants concurred have been applying to the N.Y.K. for another lowering of the rate.

It is reported that a representative of Messrs. J. P. Morgan and Co. is on his way to Bangkok for the purpose of making a bid for the concession of the whole tin-mining industry in the Siamese part of the Malay Peninsula. It may be remembered, says the *Bangkok Times*, that in 1887 the Siamese Government had an offer for the mining rights of Siamese Malaya from the then Duke of Sutherland, who was visiting Bangkok in his yacht. The offer, however, was not accepted.

The *Sin Wan Pao* learns that lately Viceroys Yuan and Chang jointly memorialised the Throne to gradually decrease the number of successful candidates at the competitive Chuan (M.A.) and Chihsing (Doctor) examinations, as the latter institutions were a means to the success of the newly established schools and colleges. Memorialists proposed that the successful candidates at each examination, beginning from next year, be diminished by seventy per cent, and that there could be no successful candidate after the examination, which meant their termination.

A Seoul telegram to the Japanese Press states that M. E. Stein, Russian Charge d'Affaires demanded of the Korean Government on the 15th ult., on behalf of Baron Gansburg, the concession for laying the Seoul-Win Railway. This concession was originally granted to a French citizen, but he did nothing with it, and the concession is now in the hands of the North-West Railway Bureau, which is virtually under French guidance. The Japanese have been hoping to get the concession, and the present Russian application, remarks the *Japan Gazette*, is probably intended to block the anticipated Japanese demand.

With reference to the subject of commercial morality in Japan, the Japanese Press notes with great satisfaction the signs of improvement shown in the Clearing House returns. It appears that in 1900 the returns recorded 2,310 notes as having been dishonoured; and in 1901 the number was 1,890. In 1902, however, when the total number of notes cleared exceeded those for the previous half-year by nearly half a million, the number of dishonoured notes fell to 575. The *Toyo Keizai* attributes this phenomenon (in the *Japan Times* term it) to the gradual improvement in the tone of business morality, and also to the increased watchfulness among business men against the acceptance of notes of doubtful quality. But the *Times* says it may well be doubted whether the improvement as indicated by the above quoted figures was not due at least as much to the general improvement in the economic situation as to the alleged elevation of moral tone.

A report is circulating in well-informed circles in Peking, the *China Gazette* says, that the Chinese Government is seriously contemplating raising a loan immediately for the purpose of paying off the indemnities to the various Foreign Powers, arising out of the disastrous events of 1900. The presence of numerous agents of continental financiers in China at the moment, our contemporary adds, lends an air of verisimilitude to the rumours, which are also strengthened by the undoubtedly movement on foot to supersede the present Inspector-General of Imperial Maritime Customs by an International Board. Current report indicates the Customs revenue and the salt-tax as the intended securities for the loan. Seeing that at the moment the only real security for the payment of the indemnities is the Customs revenue with an Imperial order to the various provincial treasurers to make up from other sources any deficiencies in this amount, the security for the proposed loan would seem to be no worse than that which the creditor Powers, now hold. The present proposal seems to owe its inception to that daring Russian commercial-diplomatic enterprise, which has within the past few years succeeded so ably in supplanting British influence as the predominant factor in Chinese affairs.

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All possible doubt in relation to the attitude of the United States in the indemnity question, the *Shanghai Times* says, was put at rest yesterday (February 24th) by official despatches which directed that the amount due to the United States indemnity account should be expressed in Halkwan taels at the rates of exchange stipulated in Article VI of the Peace Protocol, and not at the rates of exchange now prevailing. This means that in indemnity payments from China to the United States, the *tael* will be reckoned as worth \$3.742, although the present quotation is \$3.525.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

THE EX-VICEROY CHANG

CHIHTUNG.

LONDON, 1st March, 8.5 p.m.

Chang Chihtung has made a request to be allowed to visit Peking, via the Luhai railway, for the purpose of obtaining a special audience of the Empress Dowager. The request has been granted, but His Excellency's friends are trying to dissuade him, fearing that his visit to Peking may result in his being permanently shelved.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE UNITED STATES NAVY BILL.

LONDON, 28th February.

The Senate amended the Navy Bill on the 21st instant by providing for four new battleships and two cruisers.

THE SOMALILAND EXPEDITION.

LONDON, 28th February.

Col. Manning with a flying column left Obbia on the 22nd instant to occupy the wells at Galkaya and to establish there a chief supply depot preliminary to a general advance.

BOMBAY, 28th February.

The lines are interrupted.

SWATOW.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Swatow, 27th February.

NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

The Chinese men-of-war *Kwong Yuk*, *An Lan* and *Fukpo* put in here from Canton. H.I.G.M.S. *Jaguar* arrived here from Amoy, and after a couple of days' stay left for Canton. H.M.S. *Phoenix* is now in port and will shortly return to Hongkong whence she came here.

TROUBLE AT WEICHOW.

Owing to an outbreak of disturbance, similar to the Kwangsi rebellion, at Weichow, a coast port S.W. of Swatow, the Chinese gunboats *Kwong Yuk* and *An Lan* were sent from Canton to carry troops from here to the disturbed place. It is said they took away with them over 600 Chinese braves.

CHANGE OF TAO TAI.

As intimated by me some time back Tao Tai Ting Po Chwang retired from office owing to the death of his mother. He left for Shanghai per Chinese steamer *Hainfeng</*

especially so in the case of Hongkong, which would be most sensibly affected by anything like a feeling of insecurity in the Navy. The song had it that "we've got the ships, we've got the men, we've got the money, too," but, although we had the money and might be able to buy a few ships from a friendly nation in the event of hostilities, there was no question that we had not the men. As a way of supplying this want Professor Sharp concluded by suggesting that the fisher population at home, from which could be drawn the very men that were needed to man the ships might be placed under bounty as a naval reserve, ready to be called upon in anything like emergency. (Applause.)

H. E. Major-General GASCOWNE said the only part of the lecture that he personally disagreed with was that Captain Anderson seemed to have a very unfavourable opinion of commissions or committees of enquiry. He thought a grand opportunity was lost at the end of the South African war. He would have liked to have seen a commission established consisting of a few soldiers and business men who between them would have been able to formulate a scheme by which our Army would be supplied. However powerful our ships might be, an army must be behind our backs, and the great matter was where was that army to be got in the future? Let them mark his words: it was to be very few years from now that every man present would have to take some part in the defence of the Empire. It would have to come and such a commission as he had indicated might have been able to show how it would press least hardly. We did not like the word "conscription," but there was no question about it in his mind that they would have to have it. His Excellency concluded by proposing a vote of thanks to Captain Anderson for his most able and interesting lecture, expressing regret that that was the last opportunity they would have of hearing him as he was leaving Hongkong.

The vote of thanks was cordially given.

Captain ANDERSON briefly replied.

Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C., proposed a vote of thanks to Major-General Gascogne for presiding, which ended the proceedings.

SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 2nd March.

IN ADMIRALTY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUDGE) AND LIEUT. HENRY PYBUS, R.N.R., COMR. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN."

WONG KAM v. S.S. "HANSA." This was an action for damages arising out of a collision at the end of Capsuinau Pass on 14th January between the junk *Yee Fung* and the German *s.s. Hansa*, on which occasion the junk sank.

Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. (instructed by Mr. C. E. H. Beech of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, solicitors), appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. W. W. Stale, barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. H. J. Gedge of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, solicitors), appeared for the defendant.

The plaintiff stated in his petition that shortly before 8 p.m. on the 14th January the junk *Yee Fung*, of which he was the owner, whilst on a voyage from Canton to Hongkong, emerged from the Hongkong end of Capsuinau Pass. The wind was north-westerly and light. It was a moonlight night with clouds over the moon, and it was clear on the water. The tide was about three-quarters flood and was running up at the rate of about three-miles an hour. The *Yee Fung* was sailing under two of her three sails which were spread out on opposite sides of her, and she was heading S.E. and at such a pace as only enabled her to make very little headway against the tide. A proper white light was carried at her masthead and a good look-out was being kept. At that time the look-out on board the *Yee Fung* observed about three miles off, on the port bow, the three lights of a vessel which afterwards proved to be the *Hansa*. The *Yee Fung* continued on her course, going very slowly ahead against the tide. The *Hansa* which was steering for the Capsuinau Pass shut in her green light as she drew near the *Yee Fung*, leaving her masthead light and her red side-light visible to those on board the *Yee Fung*. When the *Hansa* was quite close to the *Yee Fung* approaching her in such a position and on such a course that the *Hansa* and the *Yee Fung* would have passed safely port side to port side, those in charge of the *Hansa* suddenly called out to the *Yee Fung* and "Holtan," meaning "After your head," and starboarded the helm of the *Hansa* and in consequence of such starboating and immediately after it the *Hansa* ran against and with her stem struck the port side of the *Yee Fung* a little astern of her midships and did the *Yee Fung* so much damage that she soon afterwards sank, and was lost with her cargo and contents. Plaintiff alleged that there was no proper look-out kept on board the *Hansa* that the *Hansa* improperly neglected to keep out of the way of the *Yee Fung*, improperly starboarded her helm when quite close to the *Yee Fung*, and thereby caused the collision, for which damages were claimed.

Defendants stated in their answer to the petition that the *Hansa* left her anchorage in Hongkong Harbour on the evening of the 14th January on her voyage to Canton. After leaving the Harbour she was steered by the land towards Capsuinau Pass on a course about N.W. by W. half W. at a speed of about eight miles an hour. Her regulation lights were duly exhibited and a good look-out was being kept on board. When to the south of Chung Hua Island the light of the junk was first seen by the *Hansa* about two and a half miles off and a half point on the starboard bow of the *Hansa*, the *Hansa* was kept on her course, always keeping the light on her starboard bow, and soon it was seen that the light was the masthead light of a junk sailing free of the port tack. When the junk was about half a mile off the *Hansa* starboarded to pass clear of the junk, starboard to starboard, but when the *Hansa* was three lengths, or thereabouts, distant, the junk suddenly bore away on a course crossing that of the steamer. Her helm was put hard aport and her engines were put full speed astern, but the ships came into collision. The *Hansa* alleged against the junk that she was not kept on her course, that she improperly attempted to cross the bow of the *Hansa* when so near that there was a risk of collision and that a sufficient look-out was not kept on board the junk; the collision was not caused or contributed to by the defendants or by any of these on board the *Hansa*.

The case having been opened by Mr. Pollock, evidence was taken. The Court afterwards adjourned till to-day.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

The following letter has been addressed by Mr. A. R. Lowe, Secretary to the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, to the Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary:

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, 28th February, 1903.

SIR.—I am directed to inform you for the information of His Excellency the Governor, that in November last the Singapore Chamber of Commerce addressed this Chamber, drawing attention to the steps taken by that Chamber with the object of investigating and considering the possibility of arriving at some method by which the fixing of exchange between gold and silver in Singapore and the Straits Settlements might be solved, and asking for this Chamber's views as to the advisability of taking any action in the same direction with regard to the currency of Hongkong.

At a meeting of the Committee specially called to discuss this matter, held on 23rd December last, it was decided to reply that, although they greatly appreciated the friendly desire for joint action, the Committee regretted that by reason of the very different position occupied by the two Colonies, they were unable to see their way, whilst China still retains a silver currency, to take any steps which might tend to lead the Government to adopt another standard.

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"That in the opinion of this Meeting it is desirable the Straits Currency Commission should extend its inquiries to Hongkong with a view to ascertaining whether reform of the Colony's currency arrangements is advisable."

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A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

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Colonial Secretary.

POLICE COURT.

Monday, 2nd March.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

ALLEGED FOEGEY.

Lee King, Government coal contractor, was charged, on remand for forging a receipt for a ton of coal. He pleaded not guilty, and was defended by Mr. H. W. Looker; Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.

Acting-Inspector Langley, Aberdeen Station, deposed that he ordered to be weighed a quantity of coal which the defendant had been instructed to send to Aberdeen Station. The weight was 175 lbs. short of a ton, the quantity ordered, and he endorsed the receipt in red ink to that effect.

The evidence of witnesses from the Colonial Secretary's office showed that when the receipt was presented it was minus the remark by Acting-Inspector Langley, and indications of an erasure being apparent, enquiries were made and proceedings instituted against the accused.

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BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THEFT FROM A SHOP.

Chan Pak, of no occupation, was remanded this morning at ten o'clock, on bail of \$10.00, charged with arson in connection with a fire in a shop and dwelling-house at 2, Victoria Street on 27th December last. He pleaded not guilty.

His Worship committed the defendant for trial, and fixed bail at \$5.00.

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The accused pretended to be desirous of purchasing a cigar-holder, and whilst one engaged the attention of the shopman, the other abstracted the three articles in question from a tray on the counter.

CRUELTY TO A CHILD.

On Sunday morning Sergeant Garrod came across a little Chinese girl, seven years of age, crying bitterly on the Praya. He asked what the matter was, and was told that the child's mistress had beaten her. He took the little one to the station, where she was found to have bruises on her body, head, neck, face, and arms; her wrists had also been burnt by the application it transpired, of lighted matches. Sergeant Garrod went to the house of the woman at 22, Graham Street and arrested her. The child was sent to hospital, but was conveyed to the Police Court to give evidence against her torturer, who was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

HEAVY FINE.

The maximum penalty for the first offence was inflicted in the case of two coolies who were found on Sunday in unlawful possession of 132 taels of dried opium 32 taels of prepared opium, and 32 taels of raw opium which they were carrying from the New Territory to sell in Hongkong. They were fined \$50 each, with the alternative of three months' hard labour.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THEFT OF LETTERS.

For stealing four letters of which he was bailee, besides clothing to the value of \$16. An Chan Han, of no occupation, was sentenced to three months' hard labour. The letters contained money to the amount of \$25.60.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

The 34th ordinary annual meeting of this Company was held at the offices of the general managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Pedder's Street, yesterday at noon. The Hon. C. W. Dickson (chairman) presided, the others present being the Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., and Messrs. J. H. Lewis, A. J. Raymond, F. Maitland (directors), R. C. Wilcox, J. R. Michael, W. E. Clarke, W. Parham, G. C. Anderson, T. Arnold, G. L. Tomlin, K. M. Ross, S. J. Michael, A. G. Morris, J. J. Loiria, J. Gacmann, J. A. Chinoy, P. Toxer, H. Fook, and E. C. Emmett (secretary).

The notice calling the meeting having been read by the SECRETARY,

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, The report and statement of accounts now submitted I propose, if you will permit me, to take as read. It is matter of regret to the general managers and the consulting committee that by reason of the very different position occupied by the two Colonies, they were unable to see their way, whilst China still retains a silver currency, to take any steps which might tend to lead the Government to adopt another standard.

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Colonial Secretary.

STRIKE OF RICKSHA-COOLIES AT SHANGHAI.

Shanghai has suffered from a strike of its ricksha-coolies. On Monday, 23rd ult., without a word of warning the entire public service of licensed rickshas was entirely suspended.

The origin of the dispute between the ricksha-coolies and the owners of the vehicles, the *China Gazette* says, is to be found, we believe, in the praiseworthy efforts of the Municipal Council on this side to improve the public ricksha service by condemning old, decrepit or otherwise unfit vehicles brought to the licensing yard. For twenty years past all unfit or condemned vehicles coming under the notice of the licensing authorities have been confiscated and smashed up, which may seem a somewhat drastic measure, though it has worked well. Recently the owners of rickshas thus officially smashed up into firewood have been growing wroth at the thoroughness with which this procedure has been carried out by the newly created traffic department, which has charge of the ricksha licensing arrangements.

To make up for the loss caused to them by the frequent smashing of their vehicles, the ricksha-owners some days ago informed all the coolies attached to their rickshas that they would have to get 20 cash more a day for the hire of each vehicle. The present rate charged to the coolies is 120 cash per diem, which is now to be increased to 140.

The new tariff came in force to-day (23rd February) and in the early morning a few of the coolies paid it and started out to ply for hire in the streets of both Settlements as usual. But the great majority refused to pay the extra 20 cash and struck work.

Assembling at the various bridges across the Yangtse-pan, these men promptly seized any public rickshas they could find plying for hire and tore the license-plate off, which of course put an end to the operations of the vehicle in question for the day. After a couple of dozen rickshas had been so treated, the owners called them in and from about noon

there was not a public ricksha to be seen on the streets, just as the tiffin hour when their services are most in request.

Half a dozen coolies were arrested and lodged in Louza Police Station for

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1903. [651]

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

TENDERS will be received at the HEAD
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until 12 o'clock NOON, on THURSDAY, 3RD
MARCH, 1903, for the undermentioned
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Forms of Tender, and any further particulars,
can be obtained on application to this Office,
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DEPUTY ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL (E),
between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

The Tenders must be properly filled up,
signed and dated, and no Tender will be noticed
unless delivered upon the proper form at the
HEAD QUARTERS OFFICE by 12 o'clock NOON,
on the above date, in closed envelope, marked
Tender on the outside.

The right to reject any or all Tenders is
reserved.

W. A. G. DENNY,
Major,
D. A. A. General.
Head Quarters Office,
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [639]

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A N EXPERT TYPEWRITER.
Apply to—

"G"
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1903. [665]

WANTED.

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Apply by Letter, to—

M. M. B.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1903. [549]

NOTICE.

WE the undersigned undertake to
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Landlords who wish to have their properties
levelled please apply to—

HIM TAI,
Contractor,
No. 81, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903. [680]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in
the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S
OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central,
Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at
11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement
of Accounts and the Report of the Directors
for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 19th instant to the
5th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,

GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1903. [444]

GEO. FENWICK & COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held in the HONGKONG
HOTEL, on MONDAY, the 11th MARCH
at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors, declaring a Dividend,
and electing Director and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 28th FEBRUARY
until the 9th MARCH, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1903. [685]

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF
AND GODOWN COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in the above Company will be held at
the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at NOON, on THURSDAY,
the 12th MARCH, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors with a Statement
of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 12th
MARCH, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1903. [626]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at
the COMPANY'S HOTEL on FRIDAY, the 13th MARCH, 1903, at NOON,
for the purpose of receiving a Statement
of Accounts of the Company to the 31st December,
1902, with the Report of the Directors, and to
discuss any matter that may be competently
brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 13th
MARCH, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903. [684]

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at
the OFFICES of the General Agents, Pedder's
Street, on TUESDAY, the 17th MARCH,
1903, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving
the Report and Statement of Accounts to 31st
December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th
MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [659]

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at
the OFFICES of the General Agents, on TUES-
DAY, the 17th MARCH, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving
the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December,
1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th
MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [634]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 10 per cent. per Share
and BONUS of 2 per cent. per Share for
the six months ending 31st December, 1902,
declared at the Ordinary Yearly Meeting held
this day, will be payable at the Premises of the
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
on and after TUESDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY,
and Shareholders are requested to apply for
Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office,
Queen's Buildings, New Praya.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GEO. A. CALDWELL,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [627]

THE HONGKONG RUBBER MANUFAC-
TURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE CERTIFICATE of 8 SHARES
numbered 5892/5889, standing in the
Register of this Company in the name of
Late E. EBRAHIM, having been LOST,
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a
Duplicate Certificate for the said 8 Shares will
be issued one month hence and that the Original
Certificate unless produced within that period
will thereafter be held by the Company as null
and void.

SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903. [425]

NOTICE.

R. J. REMEDIOS,
FOREIGN and COLONIAL STAMP
DEALER.

No. 39, WYNDHAM STREET, HONGKONG.
Will be glad to send STAMPS on approval
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STAMPS in Large or Small Quantities for Cash.

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THE SOMALILAND CAMPAIGN.

A SUMMARY OF THE POSITION.

It is now some two years since military
operations in Somaliland against the Mullah,
Haji Mohamed Abilla, began, and as these
operations are about to enter upon a new phase,
and to become of more extensive character, it
may be well to recapitulate what has already
taken place. We are indebted to the *Times* of
India for the following summary of the position.

In December, 1901, the Mullah appeared in
the neighbourhood of Burao, a post some

forty-five miles S.S.E. of Berbera and some
seventy within the southern border of the
British Somaliland Protectorate, with a gathering

of some 10,000 men. Though compelled by
order under the command of Colonel Swaine
and to give up the line he was holding (a line converging on Burao, which post was
held by 250 men), he succeeded in inducing a
large proportion of the tribes in the vicinity to

return to him, continued to receive instalments
of arms from outside sources, and by the end of

the year, he had reappeared in the neighbourhood
of Burao, and was raiding and harrying friendly

tribes to within fifteen to twenty miles of that

post. The British Protectorate boundary in
Somaliland may be held to run from the westward

S.E. from Latitude 12deg. to Wamot, a tract
some thirty miles S.E. of Boholteh, thence east
to Long. 45deg. Latitude 12deg., thence again N.E.
to Long. 49deg. Lat. 9deg. and from that point

finally N.E. to the coast at Bander Liuda some
280 miles to the E. of Berbera. To prevent a
repetition of these raids during the early

months of the year Colonel Swaine asked for
reinforcements, the British and Italian Govern-

ments agreed to co-operate in patrolling the
seas aboard with the view of cutting off the supply

of firearms which steadily continued to reach

the enemy. Information having been

received of attempts on the Mullah's part to

disrupt the tribes bordering on the coast to the

E. of Berbera, vigorous action was taken by

Colonel Swaine to check this move, and success-

fully. By the end of May, 1902, the Mullah

was in the neighbourhood of Burao, some 150

miles S.E. of Berbera, with a gathering of some

14,000 men and 1,500 rifles, and Colonel Swaine

had reached Wadhamago, some 8 miles N.W. of

Burao, with a force of 1,300 men, 3 maxims and

2 guns.

The enemy now moved his forces and non-com-

batants to Wamot—to the south of our bound-

ary line—but his force remained watching the

British. Early in June, Swaine, reinforced by

some 300 men, moved S.E. and reached

Boholteh, 110 miles from Burao and 50 from

Wadhamago, without

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Mar. 1, ELSE, German str., 903, T. Peterson, Manila 26th February—JEBSEN & CO.
Mar. 1, TUE, French str., 703, Godman, Haiphong 25th February, General.—A. R. MAETY.
Mar. 1, KWONGSANG, British str., 1,427, P. M. B. Lake, Shanghai 26th Feb., General.—JADINE, MATHEON & CO.
Mar. 2, BILLYSES, British str., 1,450, Nabot, Pulo Sambo 19th Feb., Koroske, ABTHOLD, KARBERG & CO.
Mar. 2, BRUNHILDE, German str., 873, Selak, Saigon 25th February, Rice—SANDER, WIELER & CO.
Mar. 2, QUARTA, German str., 1,146, Johansen, Saigon 25th Feb., Rice—SANDER, WIELER & CO.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE, 2nd March.
Holdi, German str., for Amoy.
Jacob Diederichsen, German str., for Hoitow.
Kwaijin, British str., for Shanghai.
Saphir, Norwegian str., for Touren.

DEPARTURES.

1st March.
GLENVILLE, British str., for London.
HONGKONG, French str., for Hoitow.
LVEEMON, German str., for Canton. 2nd March.
CALLAO, American gunboat, for Canton.
DU, Portuguese gunboat, for Macao.
FRITHJOF, Norwegian str., for Saigon.
HOSHIBA, Japanese cruiser, for Singapore and Colombo.
HONGKONG, British str., for Amoy.
ILITIS, German gunboat, for Swatow.
ITAKUSHIMA, Japanese cruiser, for Singapore and Colombo.
KINTUCK, British str., for Shanghai.
KWONGSANG, British str., for Canton.
MATOSHIMA, Japanese cruiser, for Singapore and Colombo.
TAKSANG, British str., for Canton.
TALBOT, British cruiser, for a cruise.
TIGER, German gunboat, for Kiaochow.
VALETTA, British str., for Shanghai.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

23rd February.
ABERDEEN DOCKS—Lia.
KOWLOON DOCKS—Kwan, Compania de Filipinas, Sherman, Seward, Holstein, Isle de Cula, H.M.S. Fame, Karin, Callao, Langshan, Carl Diederichsen.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK—Daphne, Chusan.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH
DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship
"TALES," Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 3rd inst., at 9 A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903. [683
FOR KOBE, NAGASAKI AND VLADIVOSTOCK.

THE Steamship

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Captain Rebbelmund, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at DAYLIGHT. This Steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers and carries a Doctor. For Freight or Passage, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office, Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [559

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1903.
"SHIMOSA" ... About 5th March.
"THORDIS" ... 18th March.
"AFRIDI" ... 15th April.
"RICHMOND CASTLE" ... 30th April.
"SAGAMI" ... 15th May.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & CO. LTD., Agents, Hongkong, 26th February, 1903. [3494

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Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1903. [2

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"GREGORY APCAR," Captain J. G. Olifent, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 5th inst.

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903. [671

THE RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR HAVRE, COPENHAGEN AND BALTIK PORTS.

THE Russian Steamer

"KOREA," Captain Pernitz, will leave for the above ports on or about the 2nd March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & CO. LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [368

FOR SHANGHAI, CHEMULPO, DALNY AND PORT ARTHUR.

THE Steamship

"SULLBURG," Captain Meyer, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 15th March, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1903. [360

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

NEITHER the CAPTAIN, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crew of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

LOTHAIR, Italian barque, A. M. Schiavino.—Order.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 6th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 11th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 21st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 25th March.

HOMEBWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON VIA GENOA	"DIOMED"	On 7th March.
LONDON	"MACHAON"	On 17th March.
LONDON VIA GENOA	"KINTUCK"	On 31st March.
LONDON	"PINGSUEY"	On 14th April.
LONDON	"JASON"	On 28th April.

LIVERPOOL BERTH.

LIVERPOOL	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LIVERPOOL	"NESTOR"	On 24th March.
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	"DEUCALION"	On 23rd April.

CONTINENTAL BERTH.

MARSEILLES and ANTWERP	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
"PYREUS"		On 3rd March.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"OANFA"	On 23rd March.
The S.S. "GLAUCUS" from Straits and Europe left Singapore on the evening of the 27th ult., and may be expected to arrive here on the 6th inst.		
For Freight, apply to	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.	[10-12]

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"KWEILIN"	On 3rd March.
AMOY and MANILA	"KWEILYANG"	On 4th March.
SHANGHAI	"SINGAN"	On 4th March.
CHINKIANG	"SZECHUEN"	On 4th March.
SHANGHAI	"ICHANG"	On 5th March.
AMOY, SAMARANG and SOURLABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	On 7th March.
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 7th March.
MANILA	"SUNGKANG"	On 11th March.
THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 11th March.
KOBE	"CHINGTU"	On 16th March.
TIENTSIN	"KWEIYANG"	On 21st March.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light, Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.		
Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yaugtsze and Northern China Ports.		
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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903.

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ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct.	On 6th Mar., at Noon.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct.	On 13th Mar., at Noon.
PERIA	1980	J. McGinty		

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1903.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS LEAVING

TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW { "DAIGI MARU" { SUNDAY, 8th

AND AMOY T. W. GROVES March

ANPING, VIA SWATOW "MAIDZURU MARU" { WEDNESDAY, 4th

AND AMOY T. SATO March

FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW "ANPING MARU" { WEDNESDAY, 11th

I. GOTO March.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for first-class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.

All Steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mails, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered the highest class at Lloyd's.

Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Penteon at the Customs' water-front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.

By the Co.'s steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading are issued for Cargo to Yaugtsze (River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the Nippon Yosen Kaisha's steamers from Shanghai).

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply to Company's local Branch Office at No. 2, Des Voeux Road Central.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1903.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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Steamship Captain Tons Sailing Date.

ROSETTA MARU N. Tate 3876 Tuesday, 3rd March, at Noon.

ROHILLA MARU E. P. Bishop 3863 Saturday, 7th March, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

INABA MARU

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of general Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON, To-morrow, 27th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 5th prox. will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godown and notice of same sent to this Office before the 8th prox., or claims in connection therewith will not be recognized.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1903. [674]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"MAZAGON."

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 5th prox., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1903. [11]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Company's Steamship

"INDRAMAYO"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd March, at 10 A.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godown, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognized.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1903. [650]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APGAR"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once at Consignee's risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 2nd March, will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense into the Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASOON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1903. [1670]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"VALL-TTA."

FROM BOMBAY, CALICOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:

From London, &c., ex.s.s. Australis.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Printz Heinrich*, with the German Mail of the 3rd ult., left Singapore on Saturday, the 28th ult., at 6 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 5th inst.

The *Hongkong Maru*, with the American Mail of the 5th ult., left Yokohama on Thursday, the 26th ult., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 6th inst.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

TO:	FROM:	DATE
Canton	Hankow	Tuesday, 3rd, 7.30 A.M.
Swatow	Thales	Tuesday, 3rd, 8.00 A.M.
Singapore	Kutang	Tuesday, 3rd, 11.00 A.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Lokang	Tuesday, 3rd, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Rosetta Maru	Tuesday, 3rd, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Huengshan	Tuesday, 3rd, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai	Hu	Tuesday, 3rd, 2.00 P.M.
Quang Chow, Hoihow, Pakhoi, and Haiphong	Tungkong	Tuesday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Kumchuk and Samshui	Kewlin	Tuesday, 3rd, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Malakar Maru	Tuesday, 3rd, 4.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Anping	Poran	Tuesday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Arnold Lukyan	Wednesday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Saigon	P. C. Kao	Wednesday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Hoihow, Singapore and Bangkok	Bancs	Wednesday, 4th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo		Wednesday, 4th, 10.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Tuticorin		Printed Matter and samples—10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)		Registration, 10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Preussen		

TO-DAY.

The Brough Comedy Co., Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sale, Household Furniture, No. 50, Morrison Hill Road, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.

Sale, Household Furniture, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedies, 2.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

2nd March.

ON LONDON—
Telegraphic Transfer 162
Bank Bills, on demand 162
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 162
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 162
Credits, at 4 months' sight 162
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 162

ON PARIS—
Bank Bills, on demand 107
Credits, at 4 months' sight 202

ON GERMANY—
On demand 161

ON NEW YORK—
Bank Bills, on demand 383
Credits, 60 days' sight 384

ON BOMBAY—
Telegraphic Transfer 1162
Bank, on demand 1164

ON CALCUTTA—
Telegraphic Transfer 1162
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903. [679]

ON SHANGHAI—
Bank, at sight 133
Private, 30 days' sight 133

ON YOKOHAMA—
On demand 774

ON MANILA—
On demand Par.

ON SINGAPORE—
On demand Nominal.

ON BATAVIA—
On demand 944

ON HAIPHONG—
On demand 2 p.c. p.m.

ON SAIGON—
On demand 1 p.c. p.m.

ON BANGKOK—
On demand 67

ON SINGAPORE, Bank's Buying Rate 12.65
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael 866.70

P. E. SILVER, per oz. 24

ON OPIUM—
2nd March.

Quotations are:—Allow 10% to 15%.

Malwa New 990 to per picul.

Malwa Old 1,380 to 1060

Malwa 1,070 to 1110

Malwa V. Old 1,110 to 1130

Perkin's Extra Fine 750 to "

Patna New 1,082 to per chest.

Patna Old 1,047 to "

Banaras New 1,047 to "

Banaras Old 1,047 to "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIS.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Preussen* left Shanghai on the 18th ult., at 11 a.m., and may be expected here to-day, at daylight.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Printz Heinrich* left Singapore on the 28th ult., at 6 p.m., and may be expected here on the 5th inst., a.m.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The T.K.K. steamer *Hongkong Maru* left Yokohama for this port, via Inland Sea, &c., on the 26th ult., a.m.

The O. & O. steamer *Doris* left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, &c., on the 21st ult.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of China* left Vancouver on the 24th ult., p.m., for this port.

SHIPMEN STEAMERS.

The N.D.L. steamer *Freiburg*, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 25th ult., a.m., and may be expected here to-day.

The T.K.K. steamer *Bokila Maru* left Manila for this port yesterday, p.m., and is expected here to-morrow, p.m.

The O.S.S. steamer *Glaucus* left Singapore on the 27th ult., p.m., and may be expected here on the 6th inst.

The N.G.I. steamer *Iochia* left Singapore for this port on the 1st inst., and may be expected here on the 7th inst.

The C.P.R. steamer *Athenian* arrived at Yokohama at 11 a.m. on the 28th ult., and left again at 12.30 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 6 p.m. on the 1st inst.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s steamer *Lynx* arrived at Yokohama on the 30th Jan.

The N.P. steamer *Victoria* arrived at Yokohama on the 28th ult.

The Boston Steamship Co.'s steamer *Tremont* arrived at Yokohama on the 1st inst.

The P. & A. steamer *Indraswami* left Portland (Or), for this port via Japan on the 11th ult., and may be expected here on the 14th inst.

The C.M. steamer *Ninglow* left Victoria (B.C.) on the 14th ult., for Japan, Hongkong and Manila.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD—2nd Jan.—*Marquis Bucquoy*, 13th—Shanghai, 20th—Hero, 23rd—Glenlogan, 27th—Glenroy, 30th—Finsbury.

3rd Feb.—Sambia, Marie Valerie, 6th—Queen Eleanor, 10th—Kongtung, Benlarig, Glauces, Adroit, Java, Shekli, 13th—Hilach Maru, Pinguey, Sydney, 17th—Glenishiel, Pembroke, 20th—

Nurnberg, Silesia (German), 24th—Oanfa, Sacheen, Vindobona, Tonkin, Deccan.

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JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 3rd March

COMPANY	PAID UP	QUOTATIONS
Banks— Hongkong & Sh. Co.	\$125	1625, as 'es L'lon 265, ex div.
Natl. Bank of China	28	\$221, buyers
Four. Shares	28	\$221, sellers
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	42	\$11, sellers
Campbell, Moore & Co.	16	\$10, sellers
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	16	\$12, sellers
China Light and Power Co., Ltd.	20	\$10, 310.
China Prov. L. & M.	30	\$10, sellers
China Sugar	100	\$100, sellers
China Companie	500	\$100, sellers
China Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	500	\$25, sellers
Cotton Mills—	100	\$100, sellers
Evo	100	118, 37.
International	75	118, 37.
Lau Kong Mow	100	118, 40.
Souche	500	118, 180.
Hongkong	310	118, buyers
Dairy Farm	30	\$11, buyers
Farquhar & Co., Geo.	25	\$10, 50, sellers
Green Island Cement	30	122, sellers
H. & C. Bakery	30	110, sellers
Hongkong & G. Gas	210	114, buyers
H. & W. Dowd	100	114, 115, sellers & sel.
Hongkong Electric	50	55, 85, sellers
H. H. L. Tramways	100	114, 327.
J. S. Steam Water	10	111.
boat Co., Ltd.	10	111.
Hongkong Hotel	25	114, sellers
Hongkong Ice	25	122.
H. & R. Wharf & G.	50	116, buyers
Hongkong & Kowloon	500	116, buyers
H. & W. Dowd	100	116, buyers
Hongkong Electric	100	116, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	100	116, buyers
Hongkong Fire	25	122.
Kowloon	225	112, buyers
Strata	20	111, nominal
Union	100	115, buyers
Yankee	100	115, buyers
and Building	100	117, sellers
Hongkong Land Inv.	100	118, 113.
Humphreys Estate	100	118, 113.
Kowloon Land & B.	20	113, buyers
West Point Building	50	113, buyers
Luzon Sugar	100	112, sellers
Mandarin Co., Ltd.	50	115, buyers
Mining—	100	115, buyers
Charbonnages	250	100, sellers
Lebou	50	111, sellers
Fujiwara	100	111, sellers
D. O. Proterance	100	111, 115, sellers
Hubs	100	110, 111, sellers
New Army Dock	200	110, 111, sellers
Monte Hotel, Manila	50	110, 111, sellers
Town, Ltd.	100	110, 111, sellers
China and Manilla	100	110, 111, nominal
Douglas Steamship	50	110, 111, nominal
H. & C. Canton and	15	110, 111, nominal
Indo-China S. N.	15	110, 111, nominal
neu Transport and	21	110, 111, sellers & sel.
Trading Co.	10	110, 111, sellers & sel.
Star Ferry	10	110, 111, sellers & sel.
Tehau Planting Co.	10	110, 111, sellers & sel.
United Asbestos	10	110, 111, nominal
D.	10	110, 111, nominal
Universal Trading Co., Ltd.	20	112, 113, sellers
Watkins, Ltd.	10	112, buyers
Watson & Co., A. S.	10	112, sales